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### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

| THE RHODES COMPANIES, LLC, aka | Case No.: BK-S-09-14814-LBR (Jointly Administered) |
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| "Rhodes Homes," et al., 1      | Chapter 11   |
| Debtors.                       |  |
| Affects:                       | No Hearing Required                                |

<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these cases, along with their case numbers are: Heritage Land Company, LLC (Case No. 09-14778); The Rhodes Companies, LLC (Case No. 09-14814); Tribes Holdings, LLC (Case No. 09-14817); Apache Framing, LLC (Case No. 09-14818); Geronimo Plumbing LLC (Case No. 09-14820); Gung-Ho Concrete LLC (Case No. 09-14822); Bravo, Inc. (Case No. 09-14825); Elkhorn Partners, A Nevada Limited Partnership (Case No. 09-14828); Six Feathers Holdings, LLC (Case No. 09-14833); Elkhorn Investments, Inc. (Case No. 09-14837); Jarupa, LLC (Case No. 09-14839); Rhodes Realty, Inc. (Case No. 09-14841); C & J Holdings, Inc. (Case No. 09-14843); Rhodes Ranch General Partnership (Case No. 09-14844); Rhodes Design and Development Corporation (Case No. 09-14846); Parcel 20, LLC (Case No. 09-14848); Tuscany Acquisitions IV, LLC (Case No. 09-14849); Tuscany Acquisitions III, LLC (Case No. 09-14853); Rhodes Ranch Golf Country Club, LLC (Case No. 09-14854); Overflow, LP (Case No. 09-14856); Wallboard, LP (Case No. 09-14858); Jackknife, LP (Case No. 09-14860); Batcave, LP (Case No. 09-14861); Chalkline, LP (Case No. 09-14862); Glynda, LP (Case No. 09-14865); Tick, LP (Case No. 09-14866); Rhodes Arizona Properties, LLC (Case No. 09-14868); Rhodes Homes Arizona, L.L.C. (Case No. 09-14887).

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# ☐ All Debtors ☐ Affects the following Debtor(s): Pinnacle Grading, LLC

## NOTICE PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 3(F) OF THE FINAL STIPULATED ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING USE OF CASH COLLATERAL, ETC. FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PAY PRE-PETITION AMOUNTS RE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF PROJECT

TO THE AGENT FOR THE FIRST LIEN LENDERS, THE AGENT FOR THE SECOND LIEN LENDERS, THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE, AND THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS:

On April 30, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court for the above-captioned Debtors entered that *Final Stipulated Order (I) Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral, Etc.* [Docket No. 126] (the "Final Cash Collateral Order"). Pursuant to paragraph 3(f) of the Final Cash Collateral Order, the Debtors have identified certain pre-petition payments that they require to be made in their business judgment pursuant to the Budget, which payment is permissible pursuant to the procedure set forth in paragraph 3(f) of the Final Cash Collateral Order. Specifically, the Final Cash Collateral Order provides that upon (i) the consent of the First Lien Steering Committee (through their financial advisor, Winchester Carlisle Real Estate Partners "WCP")) and (ii) upon no objection being received after five business days notice advance of any proposed payments to the following parties: (a) Agent for the First Lien Lenders, (b) Agent for the Second Lien Lenders, (c) the U.S. Trustee, and (d) any counsel to any official committee of unsecured creditors appointed in these cases (the "Notice Parties"), that the Debtors shall be authorized to pay the pre-petition amounts identified in this Notice.

WCP has consented to the payments listed on **Exhibit A** hereto. By this Notice, the Debtor Pinnacle Grading, LLC (the "Debtor") hereby provides notice to the Notice Parties that if any of the Notice Parties objects to such payments, such objection should be made within writing to the below counsel for the Debtor within five business days of the date of this Notice.

#### Payment Of The Amounts On Exhibit A Are In The Best Interest Of The Estate

1. The Debtor has provided comprehensive land development services to the City of Flagstaff's Aspen Place project (the "City of Flagstaff Project"). Upon completion of the City of Flagstaff Project, the City of Flagstaff is obligated to pay to the Debtor approximately \$2 million

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as a retention payment (the "Retention Payment"). The City of Flagstaff is also obligated to release the bond issued to support the project in the amount of \$16.7 million (the "Bond").

- 2. The Debtor completed the City of Flagstaff Project. The City of Flagstaff has agreed to make the Retention Payment to the Debtor in two payments-- \$1,228,848.68 of which was received on October 8, 2009 and the remainder of approximately \$800,000 remains to be received. The Retention Payment by the City of Flagstaff to the Debtor is expressly contingent upon the Debtor paying the service providers for the City of Flagstaff Project, some of which may arguably hold pre-petition claims. In addition, the City of Flagstaff requires that the Debtor provide executed lien releases to the City of Flagstaff from the vendors that have received payments from the Debtor. The Debtor has set forth on Exhibit A those vendors that have been paid by the first installment of the Retention Payment with approval from WCP.
- The City of Flagstaff has agreed to release the Bond as a result of the completion of the City of Flagstaff Project.
- 4. The City of Flagstaff requires that the Debtor pays off any vendor that has performed work on the City of Flagstaff Project in order for the Debtor to receive its Retention Payment. Because payment of the amounts on Exhibit A along with future expected payments on account of the second installment payment of the Retention Payment will result in a net cash positive to the estates in the amount of approximately \$500,000, payment of the claims listed on Exhibit A is in the best interest of the estate. Moreover, the City of Flagstaff has agreed to release the \$16.7 million Bond resulting in a further net positive to the Debtors' estates. For the foregoing reasons, payment of the amounts on Exhibit A is in the best interest of the estates and all creditors hereto.

**DATED** this 13th day of October, 2009.

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# EXHIBIT A

#### Requested Payment Exhibit

| Aspen Concrete \$ 170,437.04 Bleekers Boxes 326.19 CAT AccessAccount 2,287.65 Derek Hofstetter 360.00 DeVault Electric 1,287.51 Don's Office Producst 766.23 Empire Southwest 4,072.07 First Class Sanitation 593.40 Freiday Construction 333.96 Head Quarters 65.00 Highway Technologies 69,830.52 Kingman Auto Supply 395.31 | Acnon Concrete        | Ś    | 170,437.04   |
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| Kingman Auto Supply 395.31   |                       |      | •            |
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| Kingman True Value 303.23  | <del>-</del>          |      |              |
| Mohave County Treasurer 834.23   | •                     |      |              |
| NJ Shaum 89,091.14   | NJ Shaum              |      | •            |
| Northland Exploration 19,973.48  | Northland Exploration |      |              |
| PowerPlan 489.76   | PowerPlan             |      | 489.76       |
| Praxair 311.31   | Praxair               |      | 311.31       |
| Qwest 120.98   | Qwest                 |      | 120.98       |
| Regal Corporation 0.61   | Regal Corporation     |      | 0.61         |
| RTR Paving 41,488.14   | RTR Paving            |      | 41,488.14    |
| Spirit Underground 684,754.29  | Spirit Underground    |      | 684,754.29   |
| Sprint 1,212.31  | Sprint                |      | 1,212.31     |
| Sunstate Equipment 2,738.43  | Sunstate Equipment    |      | 2,738.43     |
| Truck Tub Intl 35.00   | Truck Tub Intl        |      | 35.00        |
| TSS Enterprises 10,819.10  | TSS Enterprises       |      | 10,819.10    |
| United Rentals 233.64  | United Rentals        |      | 233.64       |
| Warner's Nursery 122,641.33  | Warner's Nursery      |      | 122,641.33   |
| White Cap 3,277.06   | White Cap             |      | 3,277.06     |
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